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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

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- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
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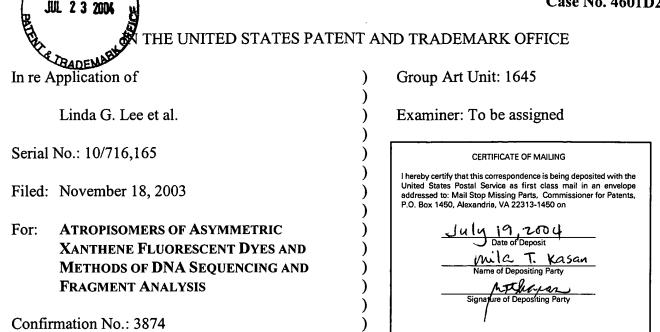
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted mailed February 18, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto, Applicants hereby authorize the United States Patent and Trademark Office to charge the filing fee, additional claims and surcharge of \$1,908.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4601D2). The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any excess payments to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No.4601D2). A Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months with appropriate fee authorization is submitted herewith. A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed. This response is enclosed in duplicate.

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